GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:24
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LOCAL CALL RATES FACILITY
PON RADHAKRISHNAN

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has charged only local call rate from the people of Kerala who are using the telephone facility any where in the State;

(b) if so, whether the said facility is not available in Tamil Nadu;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action taken by the Government to provide the same facility in Tamil Nadu?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) No Sir, local calls (Inter dialing without STD code) is provided when :

(i) Two Short Distance Charging areas (SDCAs) are adjacent.

(ii) The radial distance between the two Short Distance Charging Centres(SDCCs) of two SDCAs falling in the same or adjacent Long Distance Charging Areas (LDCAs) is upto 50 Kms.

(iii) The radial distance between two Long Distance Charging Centres (LDCCs) of two non-adjacent LDCAs is upto 50 Kms.

(b), (c) & (d) Not applicable in view of (a) above.